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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2003 be extended for a period of two months from December 5, 2003 to February 5, 2004. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$420.

Please charge the required fee, estimated to be \$420, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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